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## BPA awards community education grants

### Bonneville Power Administration

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**RICHLAND, Wash. - Richland's Environmental Summer Science Camp received a \$2,500 grant today from the Bonneville Power Administration.**

The grant is one of 13 such grants given throughout the Northwest as part of BPA's Education Program. The grants support projects that teach environmental awareness and energy efficiency to elementary, middle and high school students.

"Northwest educators are seeing tighter budgets," said Joan McNamara, BPA's education coordinator. "Organizations like BPA should help find creative ways to supplement the shrinking education dollar. As an organization committed to supporting education in the Northwest, BPA is proud to award this grant to Richland's Environmental Summer Science Camp."

Environmental Summer Science Camp brings 4th, 5th and 6th graders in the Tri-Cities area together in three, one week, fun-filled learning experiences. The sessions will be jointly planned and presented by the Environmental Science and Technology Foundation and the Columbia River Exhibition of History, Science and Technology

(CREHST.) During these sessions students will learn how their actions and those of others can affect the environment. On the last day students will demonstrate what they have learned through experiments, posters and presentations. BPA hopes this grant will stimulate sponsorships of this worthwhile program by other area utilities and businesses.

Environmental Science and Technology Foundation education reminds children how their actions impact the world and what they can do to preserve the environment. CREHST is a history and science center that teaches students about the history of the mid-Columbia region, and technological advancements in science throughout history and into the future.

The other 12 grant recipients are:

- Water Awareness Week 1997 sponsored by the Idaho Department of Water Resources
- The Montana Energy Calendar sponsored by the 1997 Montana Energy Education Council
- Salmon Camp sponsored by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, Portland, Ore.
- Plant a Tree, Save a Fish sponsored by the Public Power Council and the Yakama Indian Nation Salmon Corps, Portland, Ore.
- The OCEEE Grant Program sponsored by the Oregon Collaboration for Energy, Education and

the Environment, Portland, Ore.

- Salmon Watch sponsored by Oregon Trout, Portland, Ore.
- The Edison Project sponsored by Clallam County Washington Youth 2000
- Classroom Workshops sponsored by Snohomish County Washington Public Utility District #1
- Meet Mr. Electricity sponsored by the Columbia Valley Gardens Elementary School in Longview, Wash.
- Energy, Environment and Community sponsored by the Energy Outreach Center in Olympia, Wash.
- Salmon Education and Restoration sponsored by the Toppenish Washington School District #202.
- Lake Roosevelt Water Festival sponsored by the Lake Roosevelt Water Festival Planning Committee in Colville, Wash.

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